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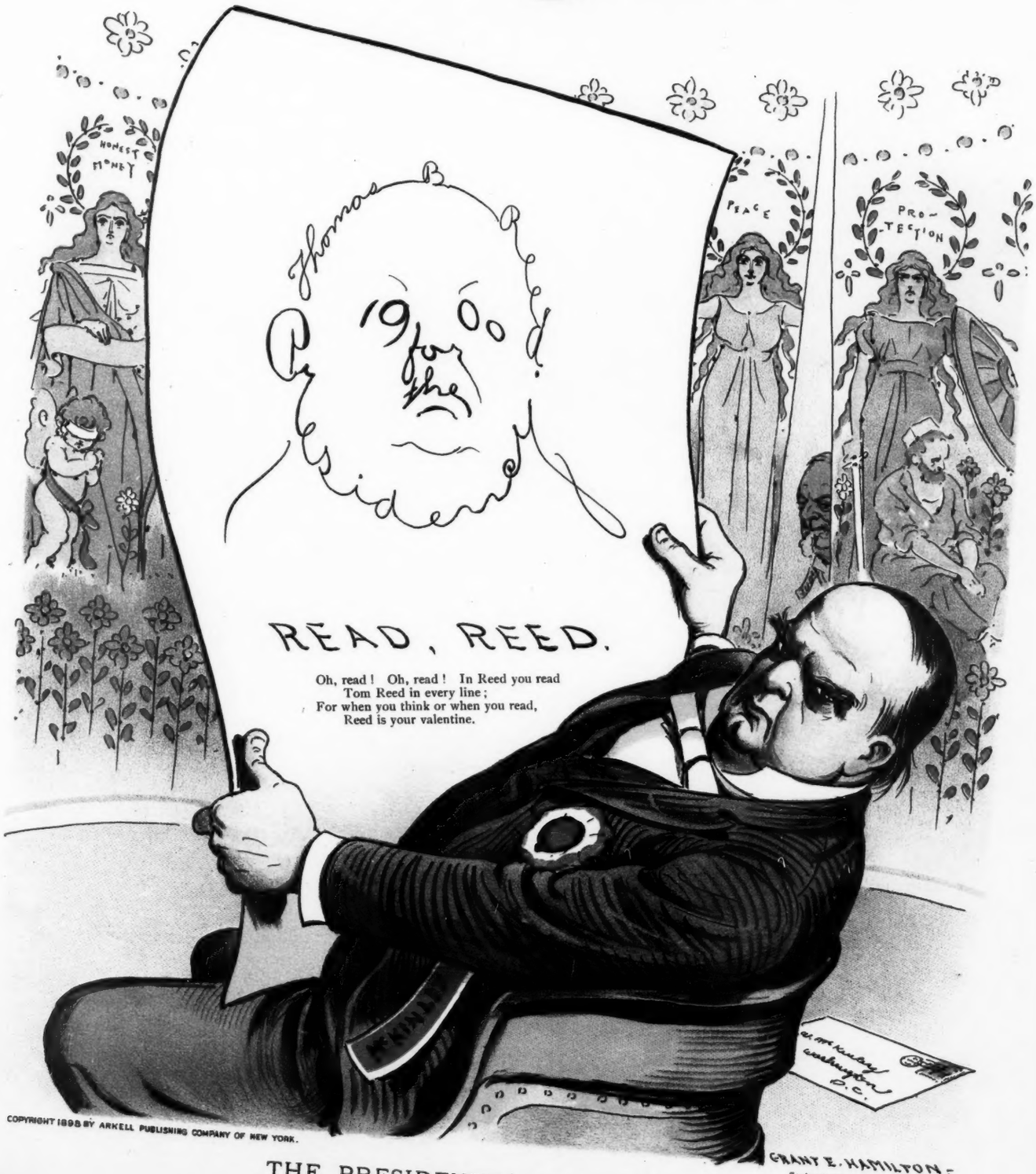

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HOPE (we refer to Mr. Hawkins) for a season bids the United States farewell.

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THERE IS CURIOSITY as to what Anthony Hope will say of us; but we learned long ago that Hope tells a flattering tale.

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THE COURAGE of M. Zola is likely to place him among the immortals, whatever becomes of the academy which refuses him that honor.

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A RIOT between the classes of a Baptist college in Indiana would seem to indicate that the boys have omitted the solemn duty of taking water.

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SOME PARISIANS hate the Jews so much that they refuse to pay their debts to them. They seem to think they are ruined by cheap Hebrew labor.

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RESOLUTION presented to the senate of this state by women—"Whereas we do not want to vote, therefore resolved that no other women shall have the privilege."

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THE SUGGESTION of the New York *Journal* that Bryan broaden out is not practicable. Mr. Bryan has just one topic, and circumstances have so conspired against it that it is narrowing in.

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MR. CROKER and his club repudiate the *World*, and Mr. Croker and Mr. Hill are out. There is to be a warm time among the Democracy of the old state for some months to come.

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THEY SAY now that there is no need of pension lawyers; but the needs of those persons are so numerous and large that their profession will survive the suggestion and all the pensioners.

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WE TRUST there will not be two umpires at any game of base-ball. No two base-ball professionals ever agreed, and the umpires would quarrel themselves to death and create great riots.

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GOVERNMENTS that hold up women and appropriate their sealskin garments are no better than highway robbers. Whatever the customs may demand, the manners of the law ought to be decent and fair.

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IT IS PREDICTED by a woman, writing for the *Evening Sun*, that the downfall of the new woman will come from the old and inevitable accidents with the collar-button. Either that or she must learn to swear.

A MODEL OF VIRTUE.

MRS. KELLY—"So they sint yure poor little Timmy t' th' refarm-school? Sich a good choild, too."

MRS. GRADY—"Shure, an' he wor thot, Mrs. Kelly. Ivirything thot darlint iver shtole he'd bring roight home t' his mother. He wor thot good Oi wor goin' t' make a priesht out av 'im."

THE REWARD OF CRIME.

ZERTUCHA, the betrayer of Maceo, having been made mayor of a town in Havana province, one reflects with awe on the lost chances of that distinguished poisoner, Holmes of Philadelphia, who was recently hanged. If he had lived his crimes might have made him governor-general of Cuba.

CHUMS.

THE JOCKEY CLUB and other superior society having rebuked the prince of Wales because of his loyalty to Mrs. Langtry, the two ought to go off together and pull the wool of oblivion over their faces, the same to remain there for forty days and nights. We do not say that they will do so, mark you! for they have been hardened against rebuke by years of contempt for it.

THE 'SQUIRE.

MR. SMALLEY will perhaps have things so arranged presently that every new-comer will be born in England. Not that it is a disgrace to be born in America; but one has to waste so much time growing up and making the money necessary to go to England and die. Meanwhile the evacuation of the country by men who are ashamed of it will proceed as rapidly as possible.

THE WOMAN WORKER.

MRS. JESSIE MULLIGAN, widow, is a brakeman on a western railroad and has given perfect satisfaction to her employers. There are a good many country families wherein the wife cuts the wood and runs the reaping-machine. Why should not that woman do the hard work of a railroad and earn money for her own use? It seems odd, but so did a thousand things of the same kind which are familiar enough now.

OHIO AND NEW YORK.

THE REPUBLICAN OPPONENTS of Mr. Hanna are denounced by some newspapers as traitors. It is hard to know just where to draw the line of independence and personal preferment; but certainly the quarrels of leaders ought not to endanger the success of the party at Washington or at home. However, the party of this state has a few mostly superfluous leaders, and there are signs that it will have quite enough to do if it attends to its own troubles.

WHY?

THE EDITOR of a Nebraska paper says he has "reached the slope on the other side of life," but never yet has he seen a woman with a frost-bitten ear, and never yet has a bonnet been built so as to keep the head warm. Other men have noticed that women dressed for the party have ridden miles in the coldest night without a particle of the discomfort felt by their warmly-dressed escort. These are curious facts, and the scientists apparently do not know how to account for them.

SUGGESTIVE FIGURES.

THE STATE will fight the Democracy of this city under the leadership of Mr. Hill, who has acquired the compliment involved in the displeasure of Mr. Croker. The Elmira *Gazette*, Mr. Hill's paper, quite innocently prints the fact that of the four hundred and fifty delegates to the state convention greater New York will send only one hundred and seventy-four, or fifty-two short of a majority. The city furnishes the requisite majority at the polls, but the delegates nominate the ticket.

RIGHTS OF THE PRESS.

A JUDGE fined the Sacramento *Bee* for an alleged misreport of a trial pending before him, and for severe criticism of his language in support of the attorney who brought the charge. The editor stood by his reporter and his own dignity, declaring that the report was correct, but was refused the privilege of defense; whereupon the case was carried to the supreme court of California and the sentence was set aside. The smaller the judge the more tyranny and the law-breaking.

MIDNIGHT CHANCES WITHOUT PAYING.

MR. SNOW—"Yes, ah's gwine toe raffle off dat gobblah. How many chances yo' gwine toe tek?"
MR. JONSING (*sizing up dog and gun*)—"Erbout two, ah reckon, ef ah teks enny, Mistah Snow."

A SAD CASE.

THAT Cupid 's growing color-blind
We very sadly rue;
For he mistakes the long green now
For love that is true blue.

REASON ENOUGH.

Trivvet—"Why is not a donkey as intelligent as a horse?"

Dicer—"I suppose it is because he lacks horse sense."

CAUSE FOR WONDER.

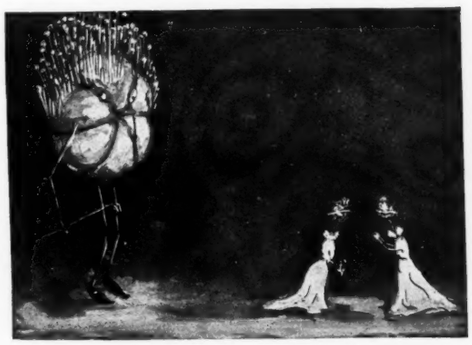
Little Mary (on her first visit to the country, suddenly coming upon a flock of hens, one of which is black)—"Mamma, why is only one hen dressed in mourning, and all the others just plain?"

DRAWING THE LINE.

"WE MAY be pagans, and all that," said the African potentate musingly. "We sometimes indulge in such questionable relaxation as head-hunting, and occasionally, when crops are shy, we lapse into cannibalism. We have other weaknesses, but"——

"But what, your royal splendiferousness?" obsequiously inquired the lord high chamberlain. "Whatever you say goes."

"But," continued the monarch thoughtfully, "we don't send comic valentines to our enemies, and I kinder guess there is still some hope for us."



POINTED.

MISS FANNY PIN—"Why don't you have anything more to do with Mr. Pincushion?"
MISS BRASS PIN—"Oh, because he's too terribly stuck up."

A GOOD EXAMPLE.

SHE—"I should think all young men would try and emulate the example of George Washington."
HE—"But there are not rich widows enough to go round."

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JUDGE'S FAVORITES.

CAMILLE SEYGARD AS "CARMEN."

Sevillian Carmen is an art-ideal,
Tender as dew, yet fierce with passion's fire:
One-half imaginary, one-half real,
Angel and demon both in her conspire.
You, too, her splendid inspiration feel?
Once more re-incarnate her, then, Camille!

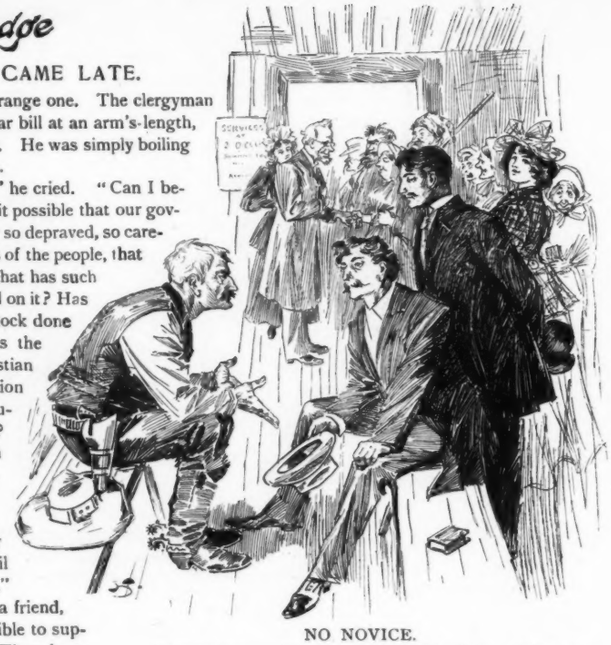
THE PROTEST CAME LATE.

THE sight was really a strange one. The clergyman was holding a five-dollar bill at an arm's-length, gazing at it with horror. He was simply boiling over with indignation.

"What's this?" he cried. "Can I believe my eyes? Is it possible that our government is getting so depraved, so careless of the morals of the people, that it issues money that has such pictures stamped on it? Has Anthony Comstock done nothing? Has the woman's Christian temperance union passed no resolutions against it? Has the Epworth league entered no protest? Then I will make my own voice heard and stir the whole country until this iniquity is stopped."

"But," protested a friend, "it would be impossible to suppress them now. They have been in circulation for months."

"I don't care," retorted the preacher hotly; "this is the first one of them I have seen."



NO NOVICE.

CACTUS CAL—"Thet there new minister 'f ourn ain't no tenderfoot. See; he's usin' his left hand ter shake hands with th' memb'rs 'f his congr'gation."

EASTERNER—"What does that action signify?"

CACTUS CAL—"It don't signify nothin', stranger, but it leaves his gun-hand free."

ENJOYMENT ACCORDING TO CAPACITY.

Mrs. Berry (glancing across the table)—"I'm afraid my little girl isn't enjoying her dinner."

Rachel (who has left her pudding half eaten, with a sigh)—"Yes, mamma, as much as I can; but, of course, if I was bigger I'd enjoy more of it."

VIEWED BY MANY.

YES, artist, you are really great,
Though critics keep you down;
Your most successful piece of work
Is painting red the town.

WAITING FOR THE FUN.

Daisy Bly (in a loud whisper)—"Is dis de new Fench tutor, mamma?"

Mamma—"Yes, pet. Come and speak with him."

Daisy Bly (hanging off)—"When is he going to begin to toot?"

A SOLDIER'S VALENTINE.

I FOUND it in a secret drawer
Of yonder desk to-day;
The ashes of a crumpled rose
Between its verses lay,
And still it held the faint perfume
They used in "auld lang syne,"
The musk in vogue when it was new—
This faded valentine.

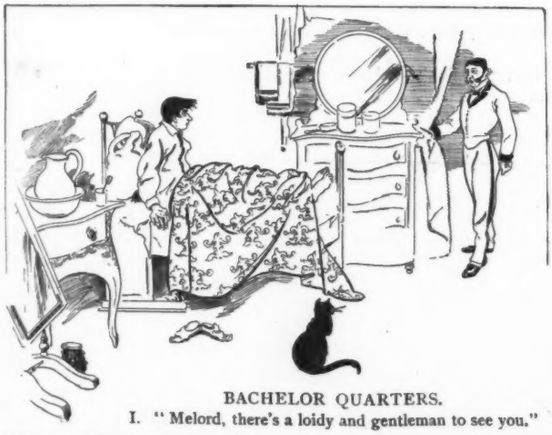
The paper lace is yellow now,
The gilded garlands torn,
But still its smiling Cupids tell
Her joy that frosty morn
When o'er the snowy window-sill,
Between the withered vine,
It fluttered to her jeweled hand—
The dainty valentine.

He watched her kiss the flimsy page,
The soldier-lover tall,
Who leaned upon his gleaming sword
Beside the old gray wall.
Another, hiding close at hand
Behind a shattered pine,
Beheld it too, with paling lips,
And cursed the valentine!

The night was near, and drear and dark
The lonely river-road,
But singing gayly on his way
The soldier-lover strode.
Too late he saw the crouching form,
Too late the dagger shine—
So here and there a woman's tears
Have stained the valentine.

Come; gather up the crumpled rose
And shut the drawer again.
The wintry dusk is closing in
With wind and sleety rain.
But all the room is sweet with musk,
The fragrance faint and fine,
It treasures from the long ago—
The faded valentine.

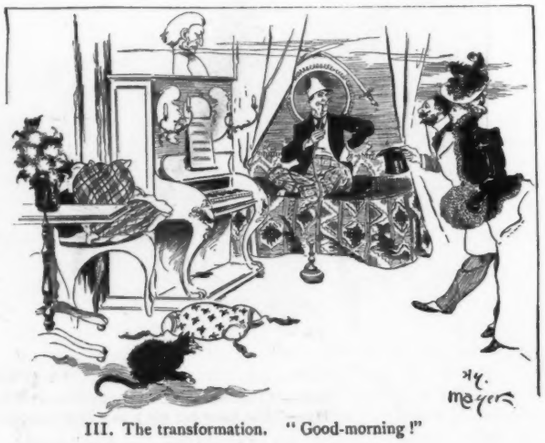
MINNA IRVING.



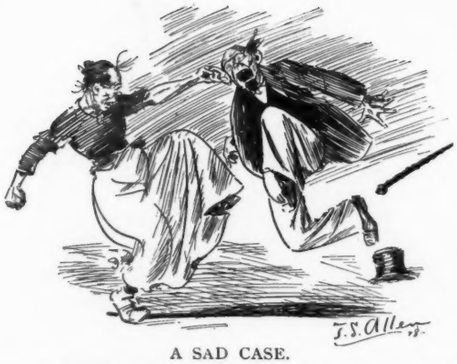
BACHELOR QUARTERS.

I. "Melord, there's a loidy and gentleman to see you."

II. "Let them enter." (*Proceeds to fold up furniture.*)



III. The transformation. "Good-morning!"



A SAD CASE.

MRS. O'FLAHERTY—"Phwat do yez mane comin' home intoxicated whin yez know Oi'm wake an' ailin'?"

LEARNED THE WORST.

"JOHN got so discouraged about himself that he went to the doctor yesterday to know the worst."

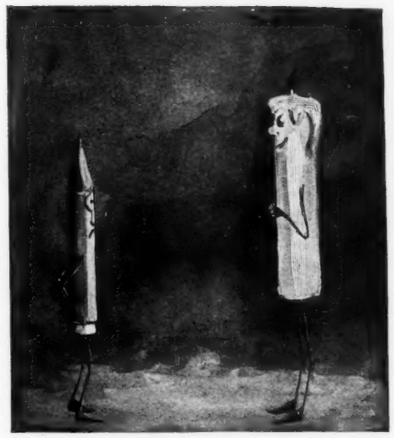
"Did he get the information he was seeking?"

"Yes; the doctor told him his bill was one hundred and seventy-eight dollars."

AN EXTREME CASE.

Twynn—"They say that young Tenspot is deeply in love with himself."

Triplett—"There is no doubt about it. He sends himself an expensive valentine every year as a mark of his undying affection."



AS ENGLISH IS USED.

MR. LEAD PENCIL—"Well, Mr. Candle, I'm just about used up. I was out all night with a newspaper reporter."

MR. CANDLE—"That's nothing. I was out all night and I don't feel used up."

AT A WOMAN'S CLUB.

Father (to his nineteen-year-old daughter)—"And what did you do at the club to-day, dear?"

Daughter—"Oh, papa! we had just the best time. We spent three hours discussing the value of silence in women."

HE REFRAINED.

MRS. WAYSIDE (*doubtfully*)—"You say you are a college graduate? You don't talk like one."
WEARY WILLIE—"No, lady; 'cause I don't want ter shock yer."

RONDEAU.

I ASK of Ruth, the wise and good
(Ruth Ashmore, be it understood—
I know the situation 's trite),
As at the door we said good-night,
My sweetheart asked me if—I—would——
I never told him that he could.
He kissed me first. Now was that right?
I ask of Ruth.

As soberly as nun in hood
She answers, "No, girls *never* should!"
Miss, did you stand in late moonlight,
Look into eyes as darkly bright,
You'd say yes. Don't you think you would?
I ask of Ruth.

CECIL CAVENDISH.

SHE MEANT AUTONOMY.

Boston girl—"They are having a dreadful time trying to select some form of government for Cuba."

Chicago girl—"Yes, indeed. The proposed anatomy seems to have both friends and foes."

A RETRIBUTIVE STILL ALARM.

The sleepy cook lights the fire, puts on the kettle, and settles down for a nap.

But as the fire diligently kept on working, Bridget involuntarily and hastily curtailed the nap shortly after and got the master's breakfast.

THE CAUSE OF ALL THEIR TROUBLE.
ADAM—"Well, we've got to leave."
EVE—"I don't care; I never liked the place."
ADAM—"What's the matter with it?"
EVE—"Too many fruit-trees."

THEIR OCCUPATION.

WHEN lovers spend the evening
This programme is the rule:
The fair maid plays the banjo,
The young man plays the fool.

CONDITIONS AGAINST HIM.

Woman—"You're about as shiftless-looking a man as I have ever seen."

Tramp—"Well, ma'am, with flour fifty dollars a barrel up in the Klondike you can't expect me to dress in broadcloth."

HER REPLY.

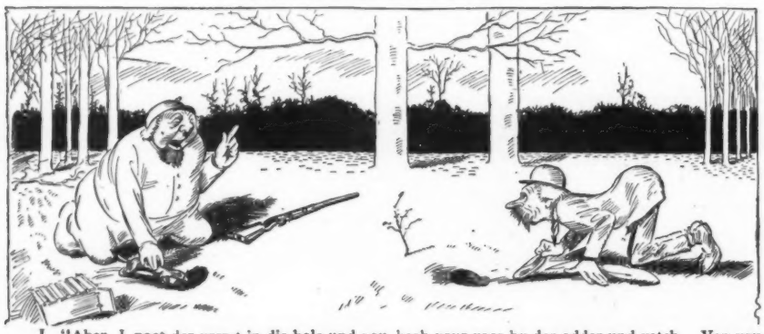
Sapsmith—"Miss Brisk is rawther—aw—dense; don't you think so?"

Sissington—"I don't know. What makes you say that?"

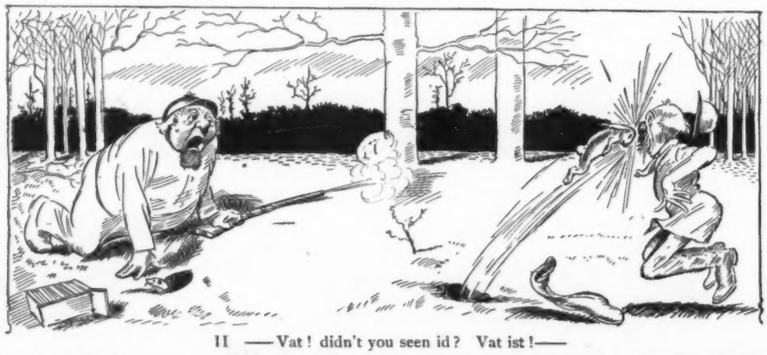
Sapsmith—"Why, when I awsked her lawst night if I might be her valentine she never saw the pretty sentiment of the question at all. No, bah Jawve! She replied that she didn't care for comic valentines."

WHAT IT COST TO *LIVE*.
ERIE CENTRAL—"Confidentially, Tom, how much does it cost you a year to live?"
TOM TICKER—"Well, my life-insurance premiums come to about two hundred dollars."

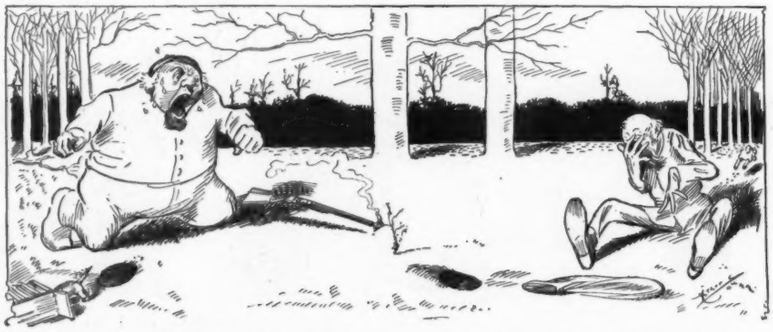
THE FIRST ATTEMPT OF THE BLUEDENSNITZZEN BROTHERS TO HUNT RABBITS WITH A FERRET.



I. "Aber, I poot der verret in dis hole und you keeb your vace by der odder und vatch. Ven you seen der rabbid coming you quick pud der bag vere he runs in it.——



II ——Vat! didn't you seen id? Vat ist!——



III ——Ach, blitzen! I neffer saw such a sportsmanship. You bedder quit der peesniss."

HIS POINT OF VIEW.

"PAP," said young Lafe Sogback, who had just returned from the county seat, "I heered a drummer readin' an item in a newspaper about a couple of niggers bein' lynched sumwhurs up north."

"Thar!" triumphantly exclaimed his father, "I've said all along that the north would git civilized after a while."

THE WRONG WAY.

Jasper—"I hear that Hustle has had a bad row with his wife."

Jumpuppe—"What caused it?"

Jasper—"He got in a hurry the other night and fed the baby with a funnel."

A COAT-OF-MAIL.

DOROTHY, who had been to the museum, on being asked what she most enjoyed seeing, exclaimed, "The shell that a man used to live in."

MUTUAL.

Acquaintance—"So your master has married again, Bridget, and you have a new mistress?"

Bridget—"Yes'm. We have been breaking each other in."

TIT FOR TAT.

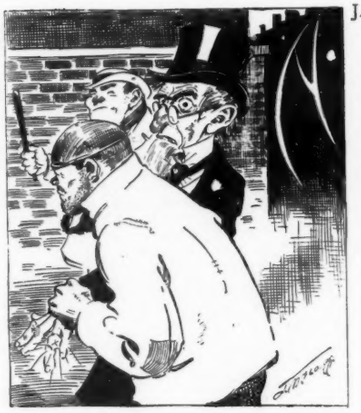
NEVER read my jokes to Brown,
Although he asks me to, 'tis true.
He would not greet them with a frown—
He's in the funny business too—
But if I did, why then, you see,
He'd read his horrid jokes to me

LESSON IN GENDER.

Nan (in great perplexity)—"I can't find a single thing about a feminine gander. I know teacher must be wrong."

JUDGE'S FABLES.

THE JAY AND THE JAIL-BIRDS.



A JAY, once venturing into a metropolitan misfit-clothing resort, found there at reasonable rentals a tempting array of Fifth-avenue peacock-feathers which had fallen from the aforesaid peacocks upon the day they had backed the wrong equine quadruped. Arraying himself carefully in these fine feathers, he strutted down Fifth avenue. Seeing that he attracted no particular admiration on this boulevard, he resolved to strut among lowlier birds, who would have more appreciation of his fine feathers, and so went to the Bowery. He had not gone far before he was approached by a couple of birds who showed the requisite admiration for his fine feathers, and in undue haste rushed him up a blind alley and stripped the poor jay of them and flew off with his borrowed plumes. He could do no better than go back to the other jays, who had been buying Klondike nuggets at sacrifices; but they, upon seeing him in his plight and undergarments, were wroth at the outcome of his vanity and told him to go to. And he went, and as he went he moralized, "The jay who fools a jail-bird is a cuckoo."

W. R. COOK.

NERVE.

FARMER—"I found this piece of coat-tail hanging to my chicken-coop door, and it fits your coat exactly. Now what does that prove?"

UNCLE BEN—"Hit probes dat de coat am youahs. I foun' hit in de road dis mawnin'."

TOO MANY COOKS.

"HOW does it happen, Davie, that you haven't finished your work?"

"Why, you see, pop, th' boys have been helpin' me."

WASTED UPPER-CUTS.

MCGEACHEY (*astonished*)—"An' phwy is it do yez be chryin', Marty? Troth, yez gev th' nagur an iligant batin'."

MARTY MCMANUS—"Yis, Moikey, I gev him two foine black eyes; but, d'ye moind, Oi'm t' be chated av th' honor av thim. Shure (*sob*), th' coon 's so black they'll niver show on him, bedad!"

THE BIRTHDAY OF LOVE.

TO WAKEN Dawn one journeyed east
With winged sandals shod;
He bore a message far across
The slumbering, dew-wet sod—
A message most divinely fair
And for her ear alone.
Fast flew the herald morning-ward,
By starry breezes blown.

He found her at the edge of night,
Just waking from a dream.
One moment more and every star
Would quench its silver beam.
He whispered in her waiting ear;
Her answer was a smile,
A glance reflected from the light
In Phosphor's radiant isle.

Was ever morn more beautiful?
Was ever day more bright?
What glorious sunshine aureoled
Earth's temple of delight!
What pomp, what state, when Dawn obeyed
The mandate from above
And with most gorgeous splendor decked
The natal day of Love!

CLARENCE URMY.

AN EXTEMPORANEOUS FAILURE.

TEACHER (*after the cherry-tree story*)—"And now, James, after George Washington had confessed to his father that he had cut down the noble cherry-tree why did not his father chastise him?"

CHIMMY—"Ah, teacher, I suppose dat it might hev bin de kid's birt'day, an' de ol' bloke went soft on de circumstance, an' "—— (*And that was where Chimmy got what George Washington didn't.*)

NO FAIR CHANCE.

DURING a severe thunder-storm this past summer Donald, aged seven, was told to remember God watched over him and would not let him be harmed.

"That's all very well," retorted the embryo man; "but in such a storm as this God hasn't time to think of little boys."

A NEW AILMENT.

Physician—"What did you say was the matter with your husband, Mrs. Parvenu?"

Mrs. Parvenu—"I don't know exactly, doctor; but he acts as if he had a veriscope vein."

RARITY of happening makes a circumstance an event.

A BLACK-AND-TAN.

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THE REASON WHY PAUPER IMM

Judge

IMMIGRATION IS NOT RESTRICTED.

BITTER BLASTS.

MIDWINTER—blithering, biting blast!
Old Boreas shows his hand at last—
A flush of spades drawn from cold deck,
A case of freeze-out in the neck.
His mild appearance is a frost,
He hugs the hobo tempest-tossed.
Alas! poor men, we have our troubles
When he blows round—get out your shovels
And Klondike forth in wintry rig
And, saying little, simply dig
The silent snowdrop fallen down
Upon your portion of the town,
And, cleaning that, hold not aloof,
There's more to juggle on your roof;
And, finished that, you've yet more woes,
You e'en must dig a path for clothes,
For wifey says, in her sweet way,
It must be done—it's washing day;
And adding, with most fiendish smirk,
How much she loves to see you work.
Your answer—we must not comment
Till snow again, you may repent.

W. R. COOK.

A CANDID OPINION.

MISS JACKSON—"What kind of an instrument do yo' fink is most appropriate for to accompany a piano, Mr. Johnson?"
MR. JOHNSON—"An axe."

PUTTING INTO PRACTICE.

Mamma—"Dorothy, do you know who ate my raisins?"
Dorothy (turning over the leaves of her book more rapidly)—"Mamma, you told me yesterday some things are better left unsaid. Isn't that one of them, don't you s'pose?"

IT MUST BE.

Teacher—"What do you call a little child that has never had a mother to care for him?"
Tommy—"An incubator-boy, ma'am."

ACCOUNTED FOR.

MISTRESS—"I see you have six different policemen calling on you, Bridget."
BRIDGET (*coyly*)—"Yis, mum; but only wan av thim 's single."

A STARTLING EXPERIENCE.

"WA-AL, sir," began Jay Green, who had just returned from a week's stay in the city, "I had a narrow escape from bein' hypnotized, the second day I was in town."

"I want to know!" ejaculated Abner Appledry.

"Yes, siree! I was at the boardin'-house table at the time, eatin' clam-chowder. Across from me sat a strange-lookin' man with a big mop of bristly hair, and eyes that would go right through you like gimlets. I didn't pay much attention to him at first, but directly I looked up and found him starin' at me as if I was a strange reptile of some kind.

"He continued to glare at me, and pretty soon I began to perspire copiously, as they say in stories, for the thought flashed over me that he was tryin' to hypnotize me. I began to feel a sickenin' sensation stealin' over me. My nerves began to jangle, my breath came in gasps, my collar began to wilt, my eyes rolled, the goose-flesh crept up and down my back, my hair stood up like wires, my tongue got thick, and I thought to my soul I was a goner. I was jest on the point of askin' some of the other boarders to pull me away, when the stranger suddenly pointed his finger at me like a pistol and demanded, in a raspin' voice,

"'Young man, did you ever think how strange it is that clams don't have tails?'

"And then he went on calmly eatin'."

A BARE POSSIBILITY.

PUGILIST—"What do you suppose Slasher Sullivan's game is, anyway? He sent me this challenge last month and I haven't heard from him since."
MANAGER—"Dunno—unless perhaps the fool actually meant it."

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IN THE February weather
Maud and Cupid ran together
To Saint Valentine.
Through the love-lit valley roaming,
Stole the kisses in the gloaming,
Of Saint Valentine.

Robbed his bundle of caresses,
Hid them in her yellow tresses,
Lost his sweetest art.
So he left at every portal,
Each forlorn and weary mortal,
Paper rose and heart.

Paper roses fail to cheer me.
Cupid, Cupid, prithee hear me,
For Saint Valentine.
Bring me all the maiden's kisses
All her love and dear caresses.
I'll be Valentine.

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A NARROW ESCAPE.

FARMER JONES (*at midnight*)—"I tho't somebody wuz tryin' ter steal thet lone turkey uv mine; an', by jinks! thar's another turkey on ther roost—a pow'ful big wun, too, frum th' feel uv his legs."

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His wife—"And you are to defend that shoplifter?" *The lawyer*—"My dear, she isn't a shoplifter. She was formerly, but she has saved so much money in the last ten years that she has become a kleptomaniac."—*Harvard Lampoon.*

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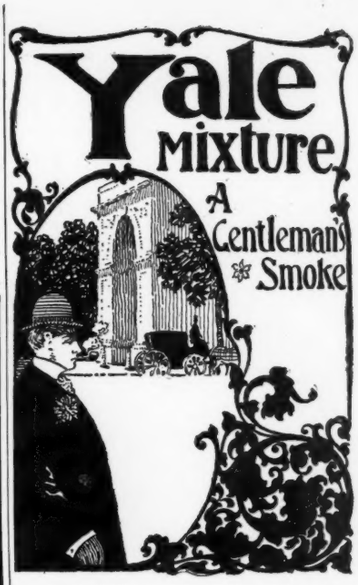

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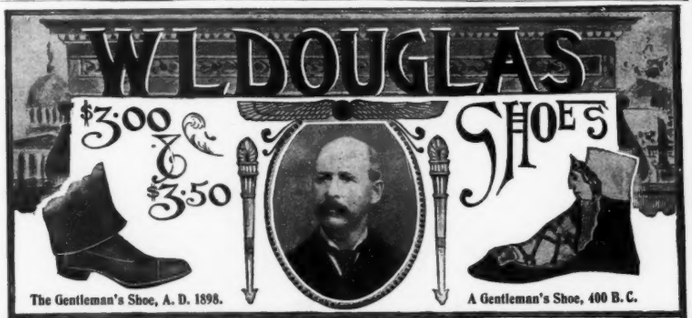

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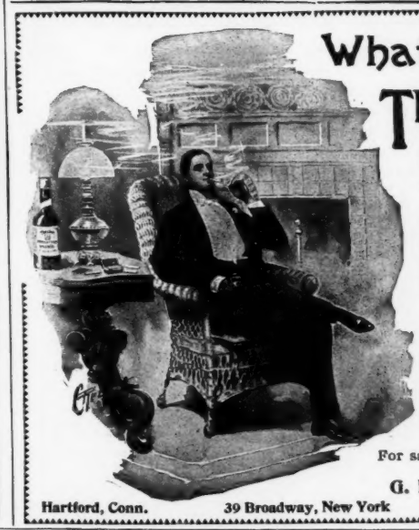

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INCOME

Received for Premiums	$42,693,201 99
From all other Sources	11,469,406 24
	$54,162,608 23

DISBURSEMENTS

To Policy-holders for Claims by Death	$13,279,630 66
To Policy-holders for Endowments, Dividends, etc.	12,712,424 76
For all other accounts	10,132,005 57
	$36,124,060 99

ASSETS

United States Bonds and other Securities	$132,017,341 45
First Lien Loans on Bond and Mortgage	69,423,937 31
Loans on Stocks and Bonds	12,880,308 00
Real Estate	21,618,454 88
Cash in Banks and Trust Companies	11,705,195 82
Accrued Interest, Net Deferred Premiums, etc.	6,141,200 20
	$253,786,437 66
Reserve for Policies and other Liabilities	218,278,243 07
Surplus	$35,508,194 59
Insurance and Annuities in force	$936,634,496 63

I have carefully examined the foregoing Statement and find the same to be correct; liabilities calculated by the Insurance Department.

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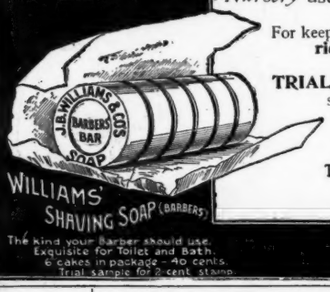

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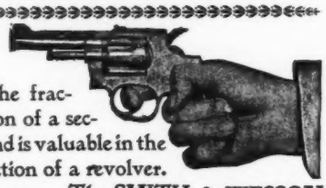

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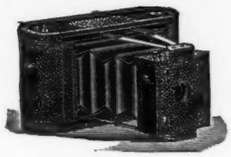

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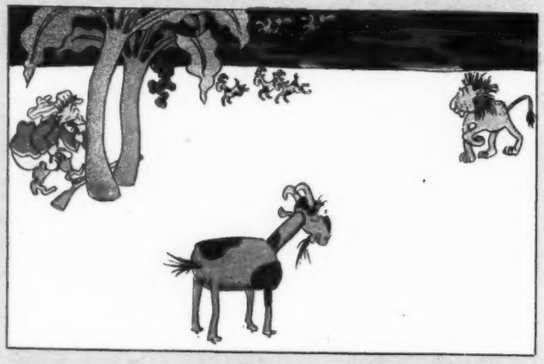

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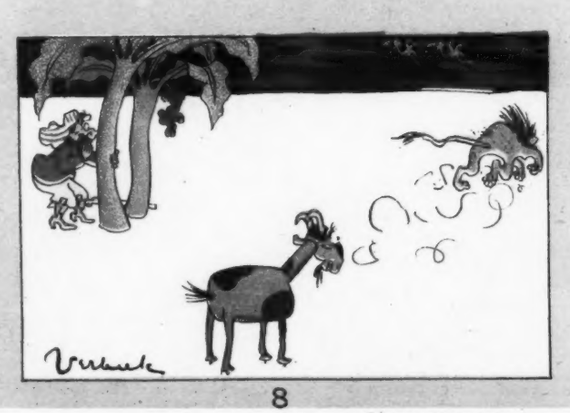

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